Statement

Swarozgaris assisted under the SGSY and Mandays generated under the EAS during 2000-01

(In lakhs)

S.No	State	Swarozgaris assisted (No.)	Mandays generated
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	1403	20.1
2.	Assam	12282	78.04
3.	Chhattisgarh	25423	83.32
4.	Jharkhand	55038	60.48
5.	Madhya Pradesh	71823	159.37
6.	Manipur	NR	2.31
7.	Meghalaya	1671	5.87
8.	Mizoram	1352	5.97
9.	Nagaland	1376	17.4
10.	Orissa	86171	195.2
11.	Rajasthan	44504	76.38
12.	Sikkim	1873	9.15
13.	Tripura	14640	19.53
14.	Uttaranchal	31555	11.07
15.	Uttar Pradesh	124064	333.02

NR— Not Reported

Implementation of Watershed Development Programmes

1928. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have stated that the Ministry attached top priority in the implementation of watershed development programmes as part of rural development and maintained that Andhra Pradesh will get the highest number of watershed development programmes;

(b) if so, what is the total number of watershed development programmes being considered in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) the amount earmarked for this purpose, and the status of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (c) The Department of Land Resources in Ministry of Rural Development is implementing three major programmes for watershed development namely, Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP), Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and Desert Development Programme (DDP) and attaches top priority for their successful implementation. The watershed development projects under these Programmes are implemented over a period of 4 to 5 years and funds are released in seven instalments. First instalment is released at the time of sanction and each subsequent instalment is released after utilisation of more than 50% of funds of the last instalment released.

The project under DPAP/DDP are sanctioned in pre-selected Development Blocks while projects under IWDP are generally sanctioned in non- DPAP/non-DDP Blocks. The budget allocation for current financial year (2001-2002) for IWDP, DPAP and DDP is Rs. 210 crore, 210 crore and 160 crore respectively. No State-wise allocation of funds is made as the release are made on project to project basis.

New projects are generally sanctioned in a year keeping in view the funds available for the Programme, after meeting the liability for the ongoing projects, progress made in ongoing projects, spread of treatable wastelands in the States, implementation capacity etc. and conformity of project proposals with the Guidelines for Watershed Development.

Details in respect of the watershed development projects sanctioned under the three programmes (including Andhra Pradesh) during the period from 1995-96 to 2000-2001 are given as under :—

Sl. No.	Name of the Programme	New Projects sanctioned in the country		New Projects sanctioned in Andhra Pradesh	
		Nos.	Area in lakh ha.	Nos.	Area in lakh ha.
1.	IWDP	298	29.24	26	2.97
2.	DPAP	11,738	58.69	2,509	12.54
3.	DDP	5,353	26.76	362	1.81

Districts in Andhra Pradesh covered under Rajiv Gandhi Drinking Water Mission

1929. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of district covered under the Rajiv Gandhi Drinking Water Mission in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether any request from the Government of Andhra Pradesh has been received in the Ministry for release of funds under the RGDWM to control fluorosis, brackish water, etc. in some of its districts and to meet acute shortage of water in Vijayanagram District;

(c) if so, when such request was received in the Ministry; and

(d) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) Drinking water supply being a State subject, schemes for providing drinking water facilities to rural habitations are implemented by the States from their own resources. The Government of India supplements the